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IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend the claims as follows:

- 1-6. (Canceled)
- 7. (Currently Amended) A flexible wrap for supporting a portion of a body, the flexible wrap comprising:
 - an elastic band; and
- a plurality of fingers extending from an end of said elastic band, wherein said plurality of fingers are secured to an exposed section of said elastic band when the flexible wrap is attached to the body, wherein the elastic band and the plurality of fingers are formed as part of a single layer such that each of said plurality of fingers is integral with said elastic band.
- 8. (Original) The flexible wrap of claim 7 further comprising a plurality of fasteners, wherein at least some of the fingers includes at least one fastener for securing said plurality of fingers to said exposed section of said elastic band.
- (Original) The flexible wrap of claim 8 wherein each of the fingers includes at least one fastener for securing said plurality of fingers to said exposed section of said elastic band.
- 10. (Canceled)
- 11. (Currently Amended) The flexible wrap of claim [[10]] \(\frac{7}{2}\) wherein said plurality of fingers includes at least one finger that extends from said end of said elastic band along a lateral edge of said elastic band and at least one other finger that extends from said end of said elastic band along an opposing lateral edge of said elastic band.

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12. (Original) The flexible wrap of claim 11 wherein said plurality of fingers includes at least

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one finger that extends from a midsection of said end on said elastic band.

13. (Original) A flexible wrap for supporting a portion of a body, the flexible wrap comprising:

an elastic band having a first end and a second end;

an adhesive layer mounted on said elastic band near said first end to secure said elastic

band to a body, wherein said adhesive layer is adapted to be detachably mounted to skin on the body;

a plurality of fingers extending from said second end of said elastic band, wherein said

plurality of fingers are integral with said elastic band and secured to an exposed section of said

elastic band when the flexible wrap is attached to the body; and

clustic band when the nextore wrap is attached to the body, and

a plurality of fasteners, wherein each finger includes at least one fastener for securing

said plurality of fingers to said exposed section of said elastic band.

14. (Original) The flexible wrap of claim 13 wherein said elastic band includes a plurality of

layers.

15. (Original) A flexible wrap for supporting a portion of a body, the flexible wrap comprising:

an elastic band:

a pack that includes a midsection; and

a fastener extending along said midsection of said pack such that said fastener secures

said pack to said elastic band.

(Original) The flexible wrap of claim 15 wherein said fastener is an adhesive.

17. (Original) The flexible wrap of claim 16 wherein said adhesive is an adhesive layer that

extends between opposing edges of said pack.

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18. (Original) The flexible wrap of claim 17 wherein said elastic band includes lateral edges and said adhesive layer is transverse to said lateral edges when said pack is secured to said elastic band.

- 19. (Original) The flexible wrap of claim 18 wherein said adhesive layer extends between said lateral edges of said elastic band when said pack is secured to said elastic band.
- 20. (Original) The flexible wrap of claim 16 wherein said adhesive is hydrogel.
- 21-25. (Canceled)
- 26. (Previously Presented) A method of supporting a portion of a body, the method comprising: attaching one end of an elastic band to skin on the body using an adhesive; wrapping an the elastic band around the portion of the body; and securing a plurality of fingers that project from an opposing end of the elastic band to an exposed section of the elastic band.
- 27. (Original) The method of claim 26 further comprising repositioning at least one of the plurality of fingers to customize pressure applied by the elastic band.
- 28. (Original) The method of claim 27 wherein repositioning at least one of the plurality of fingers includes disengaging the at least one of the plurality of fingers from the elastic band and then securing the at least one of the plurality of fingers to another part of the elastic band.
- 29-30. (Canceled)
- 31. (Original) The method of claim 26 wherein wrapping an elastic band around the portion of the body includes wrapping the elastic band around the body more than one time but less than two times.